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- (ii) Removal by the intermediary. An intermediary terminates PIP if the inpatient psychiatric facility no longer meets the requirements of §413.64(h) of this chapter.
- (c) Interim payments for Medicare bad debts and for costs of an approved education program and other costs paid outside the prospective payment system. For Medicare bad debts and for costs of an approved education program and other costs paid outside the prospective payment system, the intermediary determines the interim payments by estimating the reimbursable amount for the year based on the previous year's experience, adjusted for projected changes supported by substantiated information for the current year, and makes biweekly payments equal to ½6 of the total estimated amount. Each payment is made 2 weeks after the end of the biweekly period of service as specified in §413.64(h)(6) of this chapter. The interim payments are reviewed at least twice during the reporting period and adjusted if necessary. Fewer reviews may be necessary if an inpatient psychiatric facility receives interim payments for less than a full reporting period. These payments are subject to final cost settlement.
- (d) Outlier payments. Additional payments for outliers are not made on an interim basis. Outlier payments are made based on the submission of a discharge bill and represents final payment subject to the cost report settlement specified in §412.84(i) and §412.84(m) of this part.
- (e) Accelerated payments—(1) General rule. Upon request, an accelerated payment may be made to an inpatient psychiatric facility that is receiving payment under this subpart and is not receiving PIP under paragraph (b) of this section if the inpatient psychiatric facility is experiencing financial difficulties because of the following:
- (i) There is a delay by the intermediary in making payment to the inpatient psychiatric facility.
- (ii) Due to an exceptional situation, there is a temporary delay in the inpatient psychiatric facility's preparation and submittal of bills to the intermediary beyond the normal billing cycle.

- (2) Approval of accelerated payment. An inpatient psychiatric facility's request for an accelerated payment must be approved by the intermediary and CMS.
- (3) Amount of accelerated payment. The amount of the accelerated payment is computed as a percent of the net payment for unbilled or unpaid covered services.
- (4) Recovery of accelerated payment. Recovery of the accelerated payment is made by recoupment as inpatient psychiatric facility bills are processed or by direct payment by the inpatient psychiatric facility.

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§412.434 Reconsideration and appeals procedures of Inpatient Psychiatric Facilities Quality Reporting (IPFQR) Program decisions.

- (a) An inpatient psychiatric facility may request reconsideration of a decision by CMS that the inpatient psychiatric facility has not met the requirements of the IPFQR Program for a particular fiscal year. An inpatient psychiatric facility must submit a reconsideration request to CMS no later than 30 days from the date identified on the IPFQR Program Annual Payment Update Notification Letter provided to the inpatient psychiatric facility.
- (b) A reconsideration request must contain the following information:
- (1) The inpatient psychiatric facility's CMS Certification Number (CCN);
- (2) The name of the inpatient psychiatric facility;
- (3) Contact information for the inpatient psychiatric facility's chief executive officer and QualityNet system administrator, including each individual's name, email address, telephone number, and physical mailing address;
- (4) A summary of the reason(s), as set forth in the IPFQR Program Annual Payment Update Notification Letter, that CMS concluded the inpatient psychiatric facility did not meet the requirements of the IPFQR Program;
- (5) A detailed explanation of why the inpatient psychiatric facility believes that it complied with the requirements of the IPFQR Program for the applicable fiscal year; and

- (6) Any evidence that supports the inpatient psychiatric facility's reconsideration request, such as emails and other documents.
- (c) An inpatient psychiatric facility that is dissatisfied with a decision made by CMS on its reconsideration request may file an appeal with the Provider Reimbursement Review Board under part 405, subpart R of this chapter.

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Subpart O—Prospective Payment System for Long-Term Care Hospitals

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§412.500 Basis and scope of subpart.

- (a) *Basis*. This subpart implements the following:
- (1) Section 123 of Public Law 106–113, which provides for the implementation of a prospective payment system for long-term care hospitals described in section 1886(d)(1)(B)(iv) of the Act.
- (2) Section 307 of Public Law 106–554, which states that the Secretary shall examine and may provide for appropriate adjustments to that system, including adjustments to DRG weights, area wage adjustments, geographic reclassification, outliers, updates, and disproportionate share adjustments consistent with section 1886(d)(5)(F) of the Act.
- (3) Section 114 of Public Law 110-173, which contains several provisions regarding long-term care hospitals, including the—
- (i) Amendment of section 1886 of the Act to add a new subsection (m) that references section 123 of Public Law 106–113 and section 307(b) of Public Law 106–554 for the establishment and implementation of a prospective payment system for payments under title XVIII for inpatient hospital services furnished by a long-term care hospital described in section 1886(d)(1)(B)(iv) of the Act; and
- (ii) Revision of the standard Federal rate for RY 2008.
- (b) *Scope*. This subpart sets forth the framework for the prospective payment system for long-term care hospitals, in-

cluding the methodology used for the development of payment rates and associated adjustments and related rules. Under this system, for cost reporting periods beginning on or after October 1, 2002, payment for the operating and capital-related costs of inpatient hospital services furnished by long-term care hospitals is made on the basis of prospectively determined rates and applied on a per discharge basis.

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§ 412.503 Definitions.

As used in this subpart—

 $\it CMS$ stands for the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

Discharge. A Medicare patient in a long-term care hospital is considered discharged when—

- (1) For purposes of the long-term care hospital qualification calculation, as described in §412.23(e)(3), the patient is formally released:
- (2) For purposes of payment, as described in §412.521(b), the patient stops receiving Medicare-covered long-term care services; or
- (3) The patient dies in the long-term care facility.

Long-term care hospital prospective payment system fiscal year means, beginning October 1, 2010, the 12-month period of October 1 through September 30.

Long-term care hospital prospective payment system payment year means the general term that encompasses both the definition of "long-term care hospital prospective payment system rate year" and "long-term care hospital prospective payment system fiscal year" specified in this section.

Long-term care hospital prospective payment system rate year means—

- (1) From July 1, 2003 and ending on or before June 30, 2008, the 12-month period of July 1 through June 30.
- (2) From July 1, 2008 and ending on September 30, 2009, the 15-month period of July 1, 2008 through September 30, 2009.
- (3) From October 1, 2009 through September 30, 2010, the 12-month period of October 1 through September 30.

LTC-DRG stands for the diagnosis-related group used to classify patient discharges from a long-term care hospital based on clinical characteristics and